

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1533**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Lieu**

February 27, 2009

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An act to amend Section 200 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1533, as introduced, Lieu. Employment: compensation.

Existing law requires employers to pay, as specified, wages earned by their employees and defines the terms “wages” and “labor” for those purposes.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this definitional provision and declare the Legislature’s intent to enact legislation to address the underground economy.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation to address the underground economy.
- 3 SEC. 2. Section 200 of the Labor Code is amended to read:
- 4 200. ~~As used in~~ *The following definitions apply for purposes*
- 5 *of this article:* ~~(a) “Wages”~~
- 6 (a) “Wages” includes all amounts for labor performed by
- 7 employees of every description, whether the amount is fixed or
- 8 ascertained by the standard of time, task, piece, commission basis,
- 9 or other method of calculation.

- 1 (b) “Labor” includes labor, work, or service whether rendered
- 2 or performed under contract, subcontract, partnership, station plan,
- 3 or other agreement if the labor to be paid for is performed
- 4 personally by the person demanding payment.

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